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CHANGE OF TACTICS.

We notice that our Presbyterian friends are contemplating a change of tactics in their anti-"Mormon" crusade, at least for the time being. They intend sending a party of "evangelists" through the state, and hold services in the various settlements. They state that there will be no tirades against 'Mormonism." or abuse of anyone, but that Bible teachings will be presented to the audiences. This, if the promise is kept, will be a radical departure from old methods. The very announcement of such a change of tactics is a cations formerly indulged in, have not had the intended effect. It is an adcrusade of slander of the past, was by the "News."

It is to be hoped that this change of heart will be shown in other states, respect for the President should forbid and abroad, as well as in Utah, as far as these Utah-ministers are concerned. | appeals. Otherwise their motives for the announced change of tactics will not appear in the very best light. A special feature of the crusade will

be the distribution of tracts. In these, we are told, the doctrines of the Latter-day Saints will be contrasted with those of the Presbyterian church. This we have not seen any sectarian literature in which genuine "Mormon" doctrine is set forth and contrasted with that of other denominations. Generally misrepresentation of "Mormon" docthe purpose of contrast and comparison. "Mormon" doctrine, the ministers do not understand. They have no desire to understand it. And for that reason it is as much an absurdity to them, as was once to the world in general the proclamation of the first followers of the Crucified one, that He, whom the world had condemned was the Lord and Savior of all mankind. Anti-"Mormon" literature cannot, for obvious reasons, be fair.

But the Presbyterians will not be moiested in the "Mormon" settlements as the "Mormon" missionaries so often are in the mission field. They will have a respectful hearing, as far as anybody cares to hear them at all. They will not be mobbed. For in Utah, the principle of religious liberty obtains, Here all can worship wherever they want, and in any manner they think right. They are "hopeful of the outcome." So are we. If the preachers have their eyes open, they will find ample proofs of the fact that the "Mormons" have a number of settlements where good morals, patriotism, and the fear of God are the rule. They will find schools and Sunday schools that may serve as models for similar institutions in communities under Presbyterian Influence. They will see evidences of industry, enlightenment, and contentment wherever they go Their mission should be one of great benefit to themselves, even if they make no converts. There can be no fear as to the "outcome."

#### WHAT DRINKS COST.

The following statistics, intended to show the cost of intoxicants, have appeared in several exchanges. According to the calculations made by a Methodist clergyman, "if the money spent on liquor in a single year were saved it would give to each of 10,000. 000 families four barrels of flour, fif teen pairs of shoes, ten suits of clothing, fifteen bushels of potatoes, and 500 pounds of meat (old style). The drink bill would pay for all the railroads in the United States once in every three and one-half years; would pay for all the farms in Illinois in six months; wipe out all our national, state, county and town debts in one year; pay for all farm animals in the United States in ten months, and duplicate all bank deposits in two years. The cost of the rum traffic for a year is more than all the sums that have been given for home and foreign missions by all the churches of the country from the time when missions began to the present. It is ten times as much as is spent yearly for education, public and private." And for this expenditure, the country, it is claimed, receives in return about 75 per cent of all the crimes and 25 per cent of all

the poverty existent. But to appreciate fully the evils of drunkenness, its effects upon the individual must be considered. Not long ago the story was told, in the press, about a policeman who, under the influence of liquor, murdered his wife. When he became sober, he gave himself up. On being asked for motive, he was at a loss to find "She was the best woman that ever lived," he said. And that is the story of many a victim of that particular vice. Under its influence, they are not themselves. Or they are the worse part of themselves. The effort in this city to exclude temptation from a resort where thousands gather, should be viewed in the light of the tremendous menace of drunkenness to society. and command the hearty support of all interested in the moral and spiritual

APPEALING TO THE PRESIDENT.

welfare of their fellow-men.

It is a very lively strike that is on up in Pawtucket, R. I. The governor has found it necessary to call out the militia to guard the street cars and keep the peace. It is a local affair and concerns but a town or two; it has neither the importance nor proportions that the coal miners' strike has. Up to the present time it has not been suggested that the services of the President be called in to settle it, the governor and state authorities seeming to think that they are able to cope with

A fortnight since an appeal was made to the President to see if he could not do something to settle the coal miners' strike. The appeal was fruitless. But why should it have been made? Surely he has enough to do without undertaking the management of affairs that do not pertain to his office. But why was the appeal made! Undoubtedly to take advantage of the prestige of his high office: the man is nothing; the office everything. But the duties of the office are well defined and already onerous. Why seek to enlarge them, and at the expense of our form of government?

But there is another phase of the question, one in every particular as important as its bearing upon the presidential office. It is the effect that these appeals have on the people themselves. They make them dependent and destroy their self-reliance; they make them look to another and not to themselves for a solution of their labor troubles and political difficulties; it is confession, that the abuse and vilifi- in a measure a tacit, though perhaps unconscious, admission of their unfitness for self government. If it is not mission, even if unintentional, that the | this it is at least a shirking of responsibility, a desire to avoid the trouble wrong, a fact repeatedly pointed out and annoyance that always accompany the management of their affairs by the people. Respect for themselves and strikers and employers to make such

#### FLAG DAY SATURDAY.

On Saturday there is to be observed what has been designated as "flag The movement originated with day." the G. A. R., the old soldiers of the great Civil War, and has for its object the training of the young people to reverence and a proper respect for the Stars and Stripes. The big "un couth" west is not alone in a lack of proper treatment of the nation's flag, for the older communities of the east are as prone to neglect in this mattrines, and it is this that is used for ter. It must not be understood that this treatment of the national emblen is an intentional disrespect. It comes rather from a thoughtlessness that is natural to a young and vigorous generation. Were the lads of the west or the east to see the flag desecrated by foreigners, with the evident intention of heaping indignity upon the emblem of liberty, their fighting blood would immediately lead them to acts of loyal violence; even though they themselves sometimes thoughtlessly went farther in the improper treatment of the colors. It is for the purpose of fixing in the minds of the young people s proper amount of thoughtfulness, rather than to inspire reverence, for the flag, that the day has been set apart for observance in suitable exercises Respect and reverence for the nation's ensign exist in abundance all over this broad land, and nowhere are there sentiments more genuine than in Utah.

#### ANOTHER WAR.

According to eastern contemporaries the United States government is about to declare another war, this time a war of extermination. And the points at issue cannot be brought before the peace tribunal at The Haque, The merciless war is to be waged against the mosquita.

The war and agricultural depart ments, we are told, will work together in this matter. All the surgeons at the United United army posts will be ordered to give instructions in their distriers concerning the methods of exterminating the mosquitoes and to give every assistance possible in the work, Regular soldiers will be employed when not otherwise occupied, in fighting mosquitoes. All new discoveries made at the central experiment station at Washington will be promptly forwarded to the army doctors, and so the necessary knowledge will be spread to the

At the same time the experiment stations of the department of agriculture will be instructed to take part in the crusade. Among the employes and persons affiliated with the department are many trained students, and as they are continually in communication with the farmers of their localities, they will be able to do a great work in educating the public to fight mosquitoes.

most distant corners of the country,

The importance of these measures will be understood, when it is remembered that the troublesome insect is under suspicion of carrying round numerous disease germs and infecting its victims. Not only yellow fever and malaria, but smallpox, ele phantiasis and other bad afflictions, are charged to the mosquitoes. Smallpox sometimes, we are told, breaks out in an apparently healthy district and in a house where no one has come in contact with a patient having the disease. The explanation is offered that the infection may have been carried into the house by the mosquito.

Malaria is a very widespread disease, which carries away its thousands every year. It is believed by some that there would be no malaria, but for the mosquito.

The war will be carried on, on the

except in still water, and that they can be killed in infancy by means of petroleum. The question, then, is one of draining, and the spraying of such pools as cannot be dried out by drainage. That is a simple method, and should not be very expensive. The draining would do good besides, by rendering some land, now about worthless, quite valuable.

Success to the army and agrarians in their conserted attack upon the pest! May victory perch upon the banners of the United States, and the mosouitoes become as scarce in the land as the buffaloes! It is a noble war, the issue of which will be watched with intense interest throughout the world. Homer's war between cranes and pygmies will appear insignificant, in comparison with this warfare of science against the poisonous hosts of the

Mr. F. B. Thurber possesses the most valuable "receipt" known for making

Members of the West Point centennial class may become as famous as "Soldiers Three."

The Boers surrendered but they fought as hard and bravely as the Old Suard ever did.

Just now they are enjoying martial law in Pawtucket, R. I. It is much preferred to mob law. In the smart world the saying is:

Welcome the coming automobile and speed the parting one. Oom Paul declares that he will end

his days in Holland. England ended his days in South Africa. There have been no reports from Pelee lately. But what they lack in

numbers they make up in noise. Mr. Schwab's twenty-five hundred dollar lark pie looks very much as though the gentleman was out for a

The Pacific Cable company is ready to start laying its cable. This is the result of having successfully laid its

In these days forceful young men hitch their ambition to an automobile natead of a star. By so doing they

get on faster.

With each return of June people are eminded of the fact that while God doubtless could make a better berry than the strawberry doubtless he never

New York's police department is having the biggest "shake up" in its history. If reports be true, it has had a great many "shake downs" in its his-

Surerintendent Read says that the street car company will place fenders on its cars. Three cheers for the company! Hats off when the street cars with fenders go by!

'uban reciprocity literature fund was an act of pure generosity and in no way in the interest of the Sugar trust. Honi soit, etc.

The Missouri authorities are deterined to stamp out consumption in that state. In the stamping out process the famous Missouri mule might be otilized to advantage.

If reciprocity with Cuba is desirable and a good thing it should not be necessary for the military government of the island to hire lobbyists to advocate It. Americans prefer to have things go on their merits.

Marion Crawford does much of his writing in an old watch tower on the Calabrian coast, two day's sail from Sorrento. Its only apartments are a lungeon and a keep: Mr. Crawford uses the keep, probably because it is a better place to keep his scattered thoughts and stronger emotions.

Charles Francis Adams, Carl Schurz, Andrew Carnegie and others have petitioned the house of representatives to send an investigation committee to the Philippines. Such a committee would be a good thing if it worked hard and honestly, and presumably it would. To the committee should be added several of the petitioners, and if they are really inspired by a lofty patriotism, they would accept the appointments; for them to refuse it would be for them to stultify themselves in a

A French newspaperman who had accompanied the Rochambeau party to this country, was in Chicago during the teamsters' strike. He saw much of the mob around the stockyards, and took notes of what he saw. He has this to say of Chicago police

"I heard your people blame the police because they used the clubs in the fight. Ah, the French gendarmes! You ought to see them in a mob. They know how to strike. An American mob would think the Chicago policemen were playing with them if they could see the gendarmes work. Hit a gendarme with an egg and see him fight! They do not play-they fight. The Chiwere certainly not rough compared with the police of the continent under similar circumstances. The Chicago mob got off easy."

This is complimentary to the Chicago police, and if the gendarmes are more prompt and thorough in their methods of dealing with mobs, it should be remembered that "they do these things better in France."

#### THE CANAL DISCUSSION.

New York Evening Sun. Mr. Hanna was at his best when he delivered his long-expected speech tavor of the Panama canal route. was supplied with maps, some of them measured by feet for exposition, and others by inches for study. Thus he was able to illustrate as he went along and drive his points home. He argued that the risk of volcanic eruptions along the Nicaraguan route should alone condemn it, and he declared that we should be getting the Panama canal at our own price if we reald \$40,000,000 for it. Mr. Hennes Panama canal at our own price if we paid \$40,000,000 for it. Mr. Hanna's business-like talk made a good impression. It was the eloquence of hard

San Francisco Chronicle.

It is easy to understand how senators understood to specially represent con-solidated capital should favor the route theory that the mosquitoes do not breed | whose commerce combined capital can

icular port may favor that route which promises most business to that por But how senators whose controlling influence is a desire for the welfare of their country can hold such views it is difficult to conceive,

San Francisco Call.

The question ought to be settled a once. Both the great political parties of the country have repeatedly declared in favor of a canal, and about every important commercial or industrial organization in the Union has urged prompt action. Examination after examination has been made of the varobtainable are now in the possession of Congress and the nation. It is clear there will never be a unanimous agree-ment as to the route. The danger is that between the advocates of the rival enterprises Congress may be deadlocked for years to come.

PROFIT AND LOSS IN AFRICA.

W. T. Stead in the New York American and Journal,

It has cost us 24,000 men dead and 55,000 wounded and invalided and \$1,-000,000,000. We've had to send out 300,-600 British troops to overcome the re-sistance of 70,000 men and boys from the farm. We have destroyed two republics and have created two states despotically governed from London. Before the war we maintained the au-thority of Britain with ease by a small garrison of 5,000 soldiers. We shall now have to garrison South Africa for years come with an army of 50,000 men. ise to rebuild the homesteads we have destroyed and restock the farms which we have devastated, and by the as-surances that the Boers shall have po-litical rights and privileges which will enable them to make South Africa as ree from British control as is Aus-

Kansas City Star. Instead of "go west," the cry is like-

ly to be "go to South Africa and grow up with the Boers," for some portion of the peoples of the world. The South African boom promises to be a humner, from the headwaters of the River

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